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The Greed of Graft.

One peculiar feature about graft is the fact that when you attempt to prune it the beneficiary thereof gets as mad as a rat in the presence of a quivering red rag.

For instance, when a county establishes the habit of paying a sorrel scrub fellow more than he is capable of earning, and furnishes him with an office, fuel, stationery and a janitor and allows him to put in much of his time on private snaps and to hold and operate a public office as a side line and waste the money wrung from the people's pockets by taxation, he will fly into a rage, arch his white eyebrows and flush as red as a beet when it is suggested that the principal item of graft which he enjoys might be reduced, and yet leave a sum in itself that would look very attractive to most of us, and to procure which we would be willing to expend a good deal of toil and sweat in return.

This same principle runs through the trusts, the tariff and all government contracts. This is the reason that those who reap the advantages of high protective tariff always want it "revised" by its friends.

Plain patriotism is greatly on the wane while "patriotic" graft is waxing stronger and stronger and is becoming more and more insatiable.

We are glad to note, however, that there has at last arisen a tendency to call a halt in Chariton county, and we congratulate the county court upon having accepted the resignation of the county engineer at the May term last week.

He had been employed for a year from January 1, 1910, at a salary of \$1,400, \$600 less per annum than had been paid him for the past two years.

If he did not intend to serve at the reduced price he should not have accepted a re-appointment, but the court had spoiled him by paying him much more than he was worth in the first place.

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Letter List.

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Charles Bette (card)
E. M. Violette (card)
Alice V. Ruffner (card)
When calling for the above please say "advertised."
D. J. HOLMAN, Postmaster.

Eighth Grade Graduating Exercises.

The following is the program of the eighth grade graduating exercises of the Keytesville High School and the adjacent district schools to be held at the courthouse in Keytesville Thursday evening, May 19, 1910:

PROGRAM.
Invocation—Rev. Franc. Mitchell.
Chorus—"Anchored," 100 voices.
Oration—Lowell Johnson.
Piano Duet—Lizzie Bennett and Lorena Holman.
Essay—Ella Marie Emerson.
Class Song—By Class.
Recitation—Amy Crisman.
Quartet—Lorena Holman, Lizzie Bennett, Frank Ward and Elbert Anderson.
Essay—Elmer McAuley.
Chorus—"Soldiers' Chorus" from Faust, 100 voices.
Address—Hon. H. A. Gass, state superintendent of public schools.

Music—Logan's Concert band, Selected.

The object and purpose of these exercises are to afford an opportunity for school officers, patrons and friends of education to become better acquainted with the work that is being done in the schools of Chariton county and to create a greater interest in higher education.

About 30 eighth grade pupils will receive certificates of graduation, which will appeal to the pride of every member of this class.

You are cordially invited to attend these exercises and by your presence encourage these girls and boys to higher education.

Yours very truly,
C. C. CARLSTEAD,

County Superintendent of Public Schools.

A small admission fee of 10 cts. will be charged at the door to defray expenses.

St. Cecelia Club.

A number of guests enjoyed the reception Tuesday evening of last week given by the St. Cecelia club at the home of Mrs. A. C. Seiser. A guessing contest called "A Musical Romance" was one feature of amusement. The following program was rendered:

Ladies' Quintet—"Blue Belle of Scotland"—Mesdames John D. Taylor and Marvin Drace, and Misses Anderson, Rucker and Edwards.

Piano Solo—"Chapin Waltzop 42"—Miss Emma Chapman.

Vocal Solo—"My Rosary"—Miss Carolyn Anderson.

Piano Solo—"Chapin Impromptu"—Mrs. J. W. Agee.

Vocal Duet—"Star of My Life"—Misses Stewart and Rucker.

Piano Solo—"Chapin Waltz"—Mrs. A. F. Taylor.

Piano Duet—Mrs. Drace and Miss Ruth Martin.

Ladies' Quintet—"Sleep, Weary World"—Mesdames Taylor and Drace, Misses Anderson, Rucker and Edwards.

Dainty refreshments were served.

Logan's Concert Band

..AT PRICE'S PARK, KEYTESVILLE..

SATURDAY EVENING, MAY 14, 1910.

PROGRAM:

FIRST PART.

1. March—"Our Special".....Jewel
2. March—"Albanian".....Hall
3. Overture—"Sincerity".....Barnard
4. March—"Popham".....Hall
5. Overture—"Bohemian Girl".....Balfe

SECOND PART.

6. March—"Noremberga".....Hall
7. Waltz—"Signoria".....Laurens
8. March—"Independencia".....Hall
9. Overture—"The Elves".....Kiefer
10. March—"Little Giant".....Moon

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Regular May, 1910, Term at Keytesville.

In addition to the proceedings published in the last issue of the COURIER the judge's docket shows the following entries at the May, 1910, term of circuit court:

CIVIL CASES.

Paulina Ward et al vs. Clark E. Ward et al, partition; order of continuance set aside; sheriff files report of final distribution, which is by the court approved, and cause ordered to pass from the docket.

In re petition of L. H. Herring et al, pro forma decree for Brunswick Commercial club; pro forma decree entered of record.

Morganza Griffen vs. Albert Griffen, partition; sheriff's report of final distribution approved, and cause ordered to pass from the docket.

Minter & Lamkin vs. Jas. Sanderson, suit on contract; dismissed by agreement at defendant's cost.

J. B. Martin vs. J. H. Brown, suit on note; jury waived; trial by the court; judgment for plaintiff for \$203.57 for debt and damages to bear interest at the rate of six per cent; costs of this court since death of Brown adjudged against plaintiff; judgment ordered certified to probate court.

Dr. G. W. Edwards vs. estate of Bruno Albrecht, deceased, suit on account—appeal from probate court; trial by a jury who return a verdict for defendant.

Ellsworth Bowersmith vs. Sina Bell Bowersmith, partition; trial by the court; interest of parties ascertained, and land ordered sold for cash; motion for a new trial overruled; cause appealed by defendant to Kansas City court of appeals; defendant given 90 days in which to file bill of exceptions, and leave to file appeal bond in the sum of \$400 to be approved by the clerk of this court.

Celia J. Horton et al vs. Ethel F. Drew et al, partition; Roy W. Rucker appointed guardian ad litem for Terrill and Harry Brown, minors; finding and decree that land deeded to Gribble was not an advancement and should not be brought in hotchpot; judgment of partition as prayed; land ordered sold for cash, and cause continued to await sheriff's report of sale.

The Farmers & Merchants National bank of Salisbury vs.

C. W. Hurt et al, suit on note; nonsuit as to C. W. Hurt; trial by a jury who return a verdict, signed by 10 members, for each of the defendants.

Knox vs. Knox, arbitration award; award of arbitrators affirmed and ordered entered of record.

First National bank of Iowa City vs. E. W. Herring, suit on note; continued by agreement at plaintiff's cost.

Fairbanks, Morse & Co. vs. Francois Leach et al, debt; trial by a jury who return a verdict for defendants.

Ila Richardson vs. J. C. Richardson, divorce; trial by the court; plaintiff divorced and restored to her maiden name, Ila Hershey; plaintiff to pay costs.

Martha Grubbs vs. estate of W. C. Recob, debt—appeal from probate court; trial by a jury who return a verdict for plaintiff for \$1,000.

Henry Laker vs. John Laker et al, equity; Gilbert Lamb appointed guardian ad litem for John H. and Fritz Laker, minor defendants; demurrer overruled; finding and judgment as per written decree filed.

Mary E. Berstert vs. Maurice Berstert, divorce; trial by the court; plaintiff divorced and awarded the care and custody of minor children; defendant ordered to pay plaintiff \$25 a month, and if not paid for a period of two months, execution is to issue; property rights taken under advisement with leave to file amended pleadings and offer further proof, and in that regard cause is continued.

J. D. Adams vs. Hiram Piper, breach of contract, and damages; motion for costs sustained; plaintiff has leave to file bond for costs in 90 days, and cause continued.

Ann Clausen vs. Della Beckman et al, suit to set aside will;

H. J. West appointed guardian ad litem for Hettie and George Ann McClure, minor defendants; defendants have leave to file answer and amended answer in 90 days, and cause continued at plaintiff's cost.

John P. Becker vs. John Eberlein, suit on note; judgment for plaintiff for want of answer for \$400 with interest at six per cent; plaintiff gives bond for \$800 as required with Wm. F. Becker and Roy W. Rucker as securities.

Wm. A. Smith vs. Margaret L. Smith, divorce; nonsuit.
Rosa Dejarnett vs. Frank Dejarnett, Jr., suit for support and maintenance; trial by the court; judgment for plaintiff for the sum of \$600 for support and maintenance up to this date, and defendant is ordered and adjudged to pay plaintiff the sum of \$20 a month for support of herself and minor child until further order and direction of this court, and if not paid for any one period of three months, execution is to issue.

Minnie Blackwell vs. John H. Blackwell, divorce; defendant ordered to pay plaintiff \$50 pending the suit, and if not paid, execution is to issue; cause continued.

Guy Cox vs. Hyman Fuller et al, writ of certiorari from justice's court—unlawful detainer; bond for costs to be filed by plaintiff in 90 days, and cause transferred to the circuit court at Salisbury as per written stipulation filed.

State ex rel J. W. Grizzell, treasurer and ex-officio collector, vs. Wabash Railroad Co., drainage tax; continued by agreement.

Same vs. same, same; same.

Same vs. H. C. Linnemann et al, same; nonsuit.

H. C. Atterbury and C. A. Light vs. First National bank of Dallas City, Ill., injunction; petition for review of judgment and injunction dismissed, and by agreement all right of action on injunction bond is waived.

Edward Spellman et al, trustees, petition for pro forma decree for incorporation of German Lutheran church; pro forma decree ordered entered of record.

E. A. Carter vs. George King, debt; judgment as per written stipulation filed.

Luella Lessley vs. Sam'l Lessley, divorce; trial by the court; plaintiff divorced and awarded the care and custody of Pearl Lessley, minor child; judgment for plaintiff for \$1,200 alimony; plaintiff to pay cost.

Minnie G. Lewis vs. Geo. A. Lewis, divorce; trial by the court; plaintiff divorced, and awarded care and custody of minor child, Helen Lewis; plaintiff to pay costs.

The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co. vs. Chas. Ring et al, condemnation; erroneously on docket.

Court adjourned late Friday night, May 6.

Roll of Honor.

Our sincere thanks are extended to the following friends who have either become new subscribers or who have renewed their subscription to the COURIER during the past two weeks. May heaven bless 'em:

NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

George Hessler, E. T. Weicker,
M. H. Washburn, Mrs. Floyd Clark,
John Hager, John L. Fetzner,
B. F. Walker, J. A. Britt,
Wm. G. Moore, G. W. Crisman,
Ed Meier, A. O. Rains,
Mrs. Mary Mahoney, Mrs. Leland Joseph.

RENEWALS.

A. S. Adams, C. C. Minner,
Sam'l Painter, A. W. Williamson,
F. H. Oldvader, John Schnetzler,
John Palmer, Elder Brooks,
T. J. Little, E. A. Chapman,
Miss Mary Clair, Julius Sleyter,
John P. Randolph, W. R. McGrew,
Mrs. J. H. Walker, Mrs. J. F. Harper,
John Carroll, W. C. Swain,
Mrs. L. W. Berringer, G. L. Kraft,
W. A. Gordon, L. W. Hasman.

Capit's Conquests.

GOODBAR-MYERS—Jos. Goodbar and Miss Rosie Myers, both of Brunswick, were married at Brunswick Wednesday, May 4, 1910, Eld. R. S. Robertson sealing the plighted vows.

PAYNE-BRUCE—A very pretty home wedding was celebrated Sunday morning, May 8, 1910, at the home of R. N. Bruce in the western part of Brunswick when Miss Rosa Bruce became the bride of Raymond M. Payne, the ceremony being performed by Rev. R. S. Robertson of the Christian church of that city. After the ceremony the guests were ushered into the dining-room where a fine and bountiful dinner was served. Mr. Payne has been a resident of Kansas City for a number of years and is regarded as one of Kansas City's most upright and worthy young men. He is identified with the Rhodes Investment Co. of that city as contractor and draftsman. The lady whom Mr. Payne has chosen as a life partner was born in St. Charles, Mo., but came to Brunswick a number of years ago. She is a young lady of bright intellect, of frank and genial nature, which, with her numerous personal charms, make her much beloved by her many friends. She has been in Kansas City for some time employed as a trained nurse, having taken several private cases which she handled very successfully. The bridal couple will make their home in Kansas City. The COURIER extends its cordial congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Payne, and hopes for them a long, happy and prosperous married life.

WILSON-HENDERSON—Mesdames Wilson and Miss Georgia Henderson, a colored couple of near Shannondale, were married in Recorder J. W. Wayland's office at the courthouse in Keytesville Thursday morning, May 12, 1910, Justice Warner Ford officiating. This was his honor's first experience as a matrimonial splicer, and everybody about the courthouse eagerly witnessed the performance. Aside from blushing like a bashful girl in the bewitching presence of her first beau, Judge Ford acted like a veteran. So far he hasn't said anything to the editor of the COURIER about the cigars.

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For further information, address,

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MARY E. CONDUCT, } Directors.

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